

Truck Drivers, Light or Delivery



Occupational Profile



DOES THIS DESCRIBE YOU?

Work Interests involve descriptive categories (compatible with Holland's Model) attributed to success in this career:

- **Realistic** – Involves work activities that include practical, hands-on problems and solutions; often dealing with plants, animals, and real-world materials like wood, tools, and machinery.
- **Conventional** – Enjoy following set procedures and routines developed through higher authority; includes working with data and details more than with ideas.

Work Styles depict worker characteristics conducive for this career:

- **Dependability**
- **Attention to Detail**
- **Cooperation**
- **Integrity**
- **Self Control**

Work Values includes working with data and details more than with ideas.

- **Independence**—Autonomy; working on your own.
- **Support** – Management backing.
- **Working Conditions**— Job security; good working conditions.

Aptitudes reflect an ability to acquire skills and knowledge for success in this career:

- **Far Vision**
- **Multilimb Coordination**
- **Spatial Orientation**
- **Static Strength**

OVERVIEW

Drive a light vehicle, such as a truck or van, with a capacity of less than 26,000 pounds Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW), primarily to deliver or pick up merchandise or to deliver packages. May load and unload vehicle. Belongs to the Transportation, Distribution and Logistics career cluster and Transportation Operations career pathway.

SKILLS & KNOWLEDGE NEEDED

Basic Skills:

- Operation and Control
- Active Listening
- Speaking
- Monitoring
- Reading Comprehension

Technology Skills:

- Communications Server Software
- Industrial Control Software
- Office Suite Software
- Operating System Software
- Spreadsheet Software

Knowledge

- Customer and Personal Service
- Transportation
- Law and Government
- English Language

ESTIMATED & PROJECTED EMPLOYMENT

Occupational Title	2014 Estimated Employment	2024 Projected Employment	2014-24 Employment Change	Annual Growth Rate (%)	Total Annual Openings
Total, All Occupations	1,795,100	1,949,240	154,140	0.9	58,145
Transportation & Material Moving Occupations	135,375	149,085	13,710	1.0	4,495
Light Truck or Delivery Services Drivers	10,560	11,305	745	0.7	255

Source: <https://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/occupational-projections>

2017 WAGE & SALARY (\$)

Occupational Title	Mean Wage	Mean Salary	Entry Wage	Entry Salary	Exp Wage	Exp Salary
Total All Occupations	20.93	43,539	10.09	20,991	26.35	54,813
Transportation & Material Moving Occupations	16.91	35,179	10.35	21,521	20.20	42,008
Truck Drivers, Light or Delivery Services	15.85	32,968	9.55	19,874	19.00	39,514

Source: <https://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/occupational-employment-and-wages>

EDUCATION & TRAINING

Education	Work Experience	Job Training
High School Diploma	None	Short-Term On-The-Job

A diploma is required for most truck driver (light) positions along with sufficient training and a state issued driver's licensure. Sources: <https://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/occupational-projections> and https://www.bls.gov/emp/ep_education_training_system.htm

NATIONAL CAREER READINESS CERTIFICATE (NCRC)

Skill	Median Skill Level	Minimum Skill Level	Maximum Skill Level
Applied Mathematics	3	3	3
Locating Information	3	3	4
Reading for Information	3	3	4
Applied Technology	3	3	3
Business Writing	2	2	3
Workplace Observation	2	2	3
Listening for Understanding	2	2	2

An ACT assessment-based credential issued in determining essential work skills needed for employment success across industries and occupations. The greater the score, the greater the skill level (Bronze = 3, Silver = 4, Gold = 5, Platinum = 6 & higher). Source: <http://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/workkeys-for-employers/assessments.html>

PRIMARY INDUSTRY SECTORS

(Where Truck Drivers, Light or Delivery Employed?)

Couriers & Messengers
Merchant Wholesalers
Agriculture
Self Employed
Building Material & garden Supply Dealers
Motor Vehicle & Parts Dealers
Transit and Ground Passenger Transportation
Furniture & Home Furnishings Stores
Food Services & Drinking Places
Miscellaneous Store Retailers

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